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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, applicants submit for consideration in the above-identified application the attached Form PTO-1449. The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits. Copies of the cited references are not provided pursuant to the USPTO waiving the requirement of submitting patent copies for applications filed after June 30, 2003, however Items U and V are provided herewith.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the attached form PTO-1449 with initials or other appropriate marks. Item

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U on the accompanying PTO-1449 is in Japanese however an English abstract has been provided for the Examiner's convenience.

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